

stations have revealed that Border Patrol agents at interior stations, particularly those located in Southwest border States, perform valuable law enforcement functions that cannot be performed by other INS personnel.

(4) The transfer of 200 Border Patrol agents from interior stations to the Southwest border, which would not increase the total number of law enforcement personnel at INS, would cost the federal government approximately \$12,000,000.

(5) The cost to the federal government of hiring new criminal investigators and other personnel for interior stations is likely to be greater than the cost of retaining Border Patrol agents at interior stations.

(6) The first recommendations of the report by the National Task Force on Immigration was to increase the number of Border Patrol agents at the interior stations.

(7) Therefore, it is the sense of the Congress that—

(A) the U.S. Border Patrol plays a key role in apprehending and deporting undocumented aliens throughout the United States;

(B) interior Border Patrol stations play a unique and critical role in the agency's enforcement mission and serve as an invaluable second line of defense in controlling illegal immigration and its penetration to the interior of our country;

(C) a permanent redeployment of Border Patrol agents from interior stations is not the most cost-effective way to meet enforcement needs along the Southwest border, and should only be done where new Border Patrol agents cannot practically be assigned to meet enforcement needs along the Southwest border; and

(D) the INS should hire, train and assign new staff based on a strong Border Patrol presence both on the Southwest border and in interior stations that support border enforcement.

#### BRYAN AMENDMENT NO. 3949

Mr. KENNEDY (for Mr. BRYAN) proposed an amendment to amendment No. 3743 proposed by Mr. SIMPSON to the bill S. 1664, *supra*; as follows:

At the appropriate place in the matter proposed to be inserted by the amendment, insert the following:

#### SEC. . EXCLUSION OF CERTAIN ALIENS FROM FAMILY UNITY PROGRAM.

Section 301(e) of the Immigration Act of 1990 (8 U.S.C. 1255a note) is amended to read as follows:

“(e) EXCEPTION FOR CERTAIN ALIENS.—An alien is not eligible for a new grant or extension of benefits of this section if the Attorney General finds that the alien—

“(1) has been convicted of a felony or 3 or more misdemeanors in the United States,

“(2) is described in section 243(h)(2) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, or

“(3) has committed an act of juvenile delinquency which if committed by an adult would be classified as—

“(A) a felony crime of violence that has an element the use or attempted use of physical force against the person of another; or

“(B) a felony offense that by its nature involves a substantial risk that physical force against the person of another may be used in the course of committing the offense.”.

#### HUTCHISON AMENDMENT NO. 3950

Mr. KENNEDY (for Mrs. HUTCHISON) proposed an amendment to amendment No. 3743 proposed by Mr. SIMPSON to the bill S. 1664, *supra*; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following new section:

SEC. .—The Immigration and Naturalization Service shall, when redeploying Border Patrol personnel from interior stations, coordinate with and act in conjunction with State and local law enforcement agencies to ensure that such deployment does not degrade or compromise the law enforcement capabilities and functions currently performed at interior Border Patrol stations.

#### NOTICES OF HEARINGS

##### COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS

Mr. BOND. Mr. President, I wish to announce that the Committee on Small Business will hold a hearing on “Small Business Investment Company Reform Legislation” on Tuesday, May 7, 1996, at 10:00 a.m., in room 428A of the Russell Senate Office Building.

For further information, please contact Paul Cooksey 224-5175.

##### COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I wish to announce that the Committee on Rules and Administration will meet in SR-301, Russell Senate Office Building, on Wednesday, May 8, 1996, at 9:30 a.m., to hold a hearing on Campaign Finance Reform.

For further information concerning this hearing, please contact Bruce Kasold of the Committee staff on 224-3448.

##### COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that an oversight hearing has been scheduled before the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. The purpose of this hearing is to receive testimony on the recent increases in gasoline prices.

The hearing will take place Thursday, May 9, 1996 at 9:30 a.m. in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, DC.

Those wishing to submit written statements should write to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, U.S. Senate, Washington, DC 20510. For further information, please call Judy Brown or Howard Useem at (202) 224-7556.

#### AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

##### COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Armed Services and the associated subcommittees be authorized to meet at the following time Wednesday May 1, 1996 for markup of the fiscal year 1997 Defense Authorization bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be allowed to meet during the Wednesday, May 1, 1996 session of the Senate for the purpose of con-

ducting a hearing on Airport Revenue Diversion.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be granted permission to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, May 1, 1996, for purposes of conducting a full committee business meeting which is scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m. The purpose of this meeting is to consider pending calendar business.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, May 1, 1996, at 10:00 a.m. to hold a hearing on “Review of the National Drug Control Strategy.”

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND HUMAN RESOURCES

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Labor and Human Resources be authorized to meet in executive session during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, May 1, 1996, at 9:30 a.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Small Business be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate for two hearings on Wednesday, May 1, 1996, in room 428A of the Russell Senate Office Building. The first is a hearing regarding “President Clinton's Nomination of Ginger Ehn Lew to be Deputy Administrator of the United States Small Business Administration” which will begin at 9:30 a.m., with the second hearing focusing on “The United States Small Business Administration's Fiscal Year 1997 Budget” to immediately follow.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE WHITE-WATER DEVELOPMENT AND RELATED MATTERS

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the special committee to investigate Whitewater development and related matters be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, May 1, 1996 to conduct hearings pursuant to Senate Resolution 120.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### SUBCOMMITTEE ON AFRICAN AFFAIRS

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on African Affairs of the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, May 1, at 2:00 p.m. to hold hearing.